



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5813**

LCO No. 2554



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:

REP. KLARIDES, 114th Dist.  
REP. CANDELORA, 86th Dist.  
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REP. MINER, 66th Dist.  
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**AN ACT TO INCREASE PENALTIES FOR ILLEGAL USE OF  
ELECTRONIC BENEFIT TRANSFER CARDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That title 17b of the general statutes be amended to increase vendor
- 2 penalties for illegal use of electronic benefit transfer cards for public
- 3 assistance to (1) a ban of not less than twelve months on participation
- 4 in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program for a first violation,
- 5 (2) a ban of not less than twenty-four months for a second violation,
- 6 and (3) a permanent ban for the third violation.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To increase the penalties for illegal use of electronic benefit transfer cards.